G LEAGUE CLUBS WILL HOOVERIZE ONE MILLION BONES, ACCORDING TO WISE DOPESTERS

HITTED HAS THE WELL-KNOWN CHINAMAN'S CHANCE OF SEEING THROUGH PERENNIAL PAY PLEA

Weeghman's Connection With Deal Likely to Start Inquiry and Possibly Produce Genuine Baseball Sensation

CEORGE WHITTED, who has been flirting with Charley Weeghman's bankroll in Chicago, is one of the most persistent holdouts on the Olles' payroll. It's against the rules for George to affix his John Hansock to the papers before showing extreme bashfulness and it usually in he last day when his affairs are straightened out. It will be remembered that last year Whitted decided to quit baseball forever if he did not receive a boost in salary. He said he deserved a slight increase and refused to Peport at the training camp until something was done. Finally Pat Moran asked him to visit St. Petersburg as his guest and talk things over. The reluctant outfielder was impressed with Pat's oratory, and everything was lovely for the season.

When Whitted was traded to the Phils in 1915 he was not enthusiastle over the deal He wanted to remain in Boston, where they win world's championships and cut in on the world's series money occasionally. Jim Gaffney, however, who made the deal which sent George and Dugey here in exchange for Sherwood Magee, insisted that the men report and even overruled George Stallings in the matter. Whitted made a special trip to New York and demanded a big salary. He was refused and threatened to cuit the game. He said that the trains still were running and he could go ne-and he did.

George evidently believed that the trouble over the contract would force President Baker to cancer the qual and accept and the Whitted must play daffney stepped into the breach and announced that Whitted must play daffney stepped into the breach and announced that Whitted must play sident Baker to cancel the deal and accept another player. However, with the Phillies or quit the game altogether. This ruined the outfielder's pes to stay in Boston and he finally signed.

GEORGE always holds out for all the money he can get, and it is Pat Moran's job every year to explain things in such a way that he can see his way clear to work for the salary offered, with a chance for a bonus. That bonus stuff was the buit in 1916 and

Weeghman and His Bankroll Dragged George From Home

Now comes the trip to Chicago and the announcement that Whitted will talk things over with Weeghman in an effort to land on the Cuba' team-This seems strange and unusual, for George hasn't a Chinaman's chance of playing on the same club with Alex and Killefer unless Baker says so. He is the property of the Philadelphia club, and unless he is released of sold all of his conferences with the doughnut king will mean nothing in his young life. There must be something behind the visit, however, for a player seldom uses his own money in the winter time to make 1500-mile trips and call on alien magnates unless he is sure of more than an even break. A deal may now be on for his services. Who can tell?

After being publicly rebuked by the National Lengue for his methods in tampering with players on rival clubs it does not seem possible that Weeghman would attempt to lure our George from Phillie. The Hornsby episode and the \$250,000 bankroll did anything but help the game, and the other magnates were exceedingly sore, as they say at the hotel. The chances are that this Whitted adventure will be investigated, and if he made the trip on a special invitation, the Windy City magnate is in for another

Whitted is a great ball player, but could not be considered a first-class investment, from a baseball angle, this year. He is in Class 1 of the draft and likely to be called at any time. Under those conditions a magnate would be crazy to invest money on such an uncertainty. At any rate, George's. visit has aroused the baseball world and the developments will be anxiously

THE trouble in the National League is that the magnates do not seem to be working together. Instead of taking a firm stand against the proselyting athlete and endeavoring to put the lid on the holdouts the club owners seem to be at loggerheads. When everything is running smoothly somebody breaks in with a \$1,000,000 speech and the stuff is off. More teamwork is needed in times like

Big League Clubs Will Conserve Cool Million

HOOVERIZING in baseball in order to clinch the world's series play for democracy is to be evidenced in many ways this season. Salary-cutting and conserving in traveling and ground expenses, not to mention lopping off the scout system, all point toward war baseball in its truest sense. And whatever may be said in the controversy between magnates and players the owners undoubtedly have agreed upon an extensive program of wagechopping, the figures of experts placing the general reduction at \$1,000,000 under last season's figures.

The average salary roll of big league clubs is stated to be at the \$125,000 mark, exclusive of manager's pay. The coming season, according to reliable authority, the average payroll will be from \$75,000 to \$80,000. Working with these figures as a basis, it can be seen that the average difference between the payroll of 1917 and 1918 will be around \$50,000. For the sixteen clubs this would be \$800,000, which figure does not include reductions that naturally will result from cutting expenses in the offices, on grounds, on road trips and in scout work. These reductions, it is estimated, will amount to \$200,000.

The present "Ballsheviki" situation in baseball, which finds the owners and players locked in a heated battle for dominance, is only a natural flareback from the Fed League upheaval, which left players with the idea that the fat cuts of melon should continue during normal times. The issue now is forced as a result of the war, when slicing of everything is the general program, and results will be eagerly watched by the public, which always occupies the well-known position of advantage as the innocent bystander.

WITHOUT formal organization and with pressure from magnates and the public the players seem doemed to a losing fight. About the only chance of holding a standard wage and certainly an increase this season is to have the Government take over the parks and have players classed as munition workers.

Great Sports Town Develops But Few Stars

THE easy-going, semitropical old burg, New Orleans, is, perhaps, the greatest town for sports in the country. More average athletes are turned out there in proportion to the population than anywhere. This ibtless is due to the fact that outdoor games are played the year 'round. In baseball, golf and tennis in particular are fairly good players to be found in great numbers.

It always has been something of a mystery why the Crescent City did not turn out more big league ball players. Numerous leagues operate through the winter, but outside of occasional stars already in the main circle and who eke out a few casual shekels during the off-season by playing two or three times during the week in a mild climate, none of the players' names suggests anything except French origin.

The New Orleans Southern League club has decided to change its andent policy of passing up the more promising ones, and this season Manager Johnny Dobbs will give several a tryout.

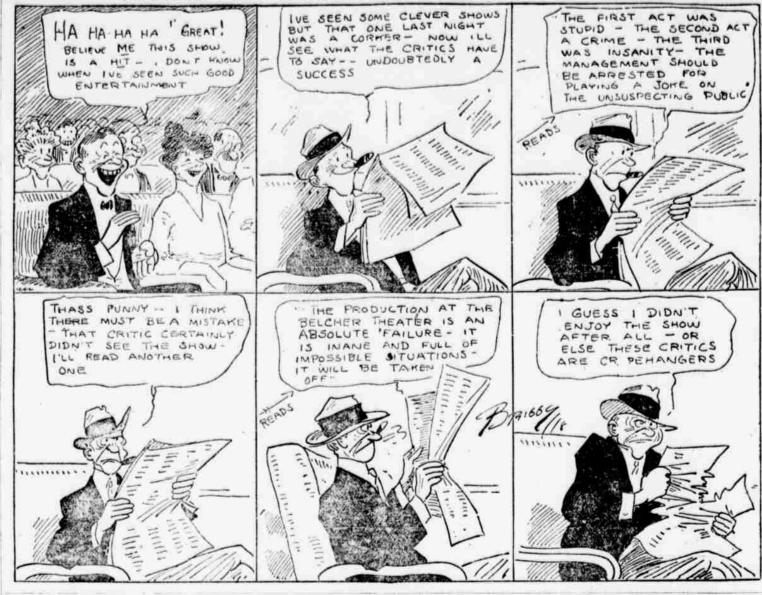
There probably are two main reasons why New Orleans has failed to through as a producer of smart baseball talent. One is that the popuis not overly ambitious. Another is that constant play tends to prouce a large proportion of fair players, but few stars. And still another eration, perhaps, New Orleans is off to itself and does not come into ct with outside ideas and influences as do places more closely identiled with other communities.

AMONG the thousands of ball players produced on New Orleans lots only one can be recalled who played in the big leagues, and this one did not stick. Reference is had to the old Philly infielder. Paul Sentell, who has been managing teams in the Texas League

Tu Cobb Has Rival for Ideal Baseball Name

COBB not only is the ideal baseball player, but he has the ideal basename. The monicker is so trimmed that the whole title would fit ox score and 't is the shortest and easiest name to pen into a story. other noted players of the present day who bear easily written Among other noted players of the present day who bear easily written as and each of the short and snappy variety, are Max Carey, Hales, Hugh High, Oscar Vitt, Jack Adams, Ping Bodie, Ivy Wingo, Fred ay, Leon Ames, John Henry and others. All, of the above, with the prion of Ping Bodie, perhaps, are real, honest-to-goodness names, and some are abbreviated by the nickname route; Ty, for instance.

Now another name appears in the Tiger line-up that will rank right with Ty Cobb, both as respects brevity and sound. It is Lew Blue, the first four the Blue Ridge League. The new name has it SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE



Victory Over South Philadelphia Will Give Archives Possession of Dutch Trophy

PLAY AT NORTH BRANCH

By PAUL PREP

Will Northeast High School repeat its performance of last fail when its warriors dethroned South Philadelphia High for the football title? This afternoon the two institutions meet in an Interschelastic Barketball League context at the North Branch Y. M. C. A., for personnel of the Dutch Trophy symbolic of the care champlonship

Northeast Leading

Northeast is in first place, two full games in front of Southern. Today's contest is the last titular tilt on the Northeast schedule while Southern must engage in three more games. It is admitted that only a series of mislangs will keep Southern from tying Northeast. If successful in today's attack, as the other two games are with the weak members. two games are with the weak members

Central High's indoor track etock is expected to jump many points, when the monthly scho's stip reports are issued a few days before the annual indoor "quads," which will be held this year, Marth 11, in the Second Regiment Armory. Broad street and Susquehannu

When the reports are issued it is ex-When the reports are issued it is ex-pected that the faculty will lift the ban which has been placed on Captain Mel-linger, who is one of the best sprinters in the east and an excellent broad jumper; Poppert, a former West Phila-delphia High sprinter; Smith, who wen the Junior Middle Atlantic State scholasthe Junior Middle Atlantic State scholastic half-mile run hast spring and a first-class quarter-miler. Jimmy Russel, a high jumper with a record of five feet five inches to his credit; Hulley, a hurdler, who finished second in the Junior Middle Atlantic State events last year, and several other men who are counted upon to taily a few points.

The above mentioned alone are sufficient to give the best of the local teams a stiff battle, but when it is remembered Doctor O'Brien has a squad at present which was capable of defeating North-cast by a margin of twelve points, the edge in indoor track athletics appears to be on Central's side.

Sports Served Short

Corwin Huston, of Detroit, defeated David icAndless, Jr., of Chicago, 200 to 201, in ne opening same at Detroit of the clean A ational amateur billiard tournament.

Jimmy Smith will not play second base for the Glasts during the coming basebar eason. The little second baseman was sold to the Boston Braves. It was strictly cash deal, no other players being givelved.

women's golf championship began at re. Fla., with a qualifying round of n holes. The winner of the medal lys C. E. Schell, of Cincinnati, who No. 1 course in 98.

Latest reports from Boston say that Ed Barrow well become president of the Bed Sox if Bill Carrisan can be induced to manage the club until the return of Jack Barry from the naval service.

Sixty players, representing more than forty different northern and western clubs, started in the first day's play of the qualitying round in the second samual soft churrament on the St. Augustibe links. L. J. Hopkins Cid Eim Club. Chiesen present in a card of St. the low score of the day's play.

August Kieckbefer, the new world cham-pion at three-custion billiards defeated George Moore, a former Ulricholder, in an Interstate Three-Custion Billiard League match same by the score of 50 to 33 at Thum a Billiard Academy, New York,

FREDWARD FULTON F. Figneran, of Eric, Pa., who of in the international League last a was signed by Fresident Figure 2 was signed by a first the international control of the nesota plasterer, who

NORTHEAST MAY WIN OUIMET'S OPPONENT IN BRITISH THE CAGE TITLE TODAY GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP GOT TOO BIG JESS, DECLARES MORAN A LEAD ON VARDON'S CONQUEROR

American Never Struck His Stride and He Later Admitted That His Defeat Was Due to His Lack of Steadiness

By CHARLES (Chick) EVANS, Jr.

On the third day of the last British seen on English courses, had been championship the Americans at Sand-Stratch at his club when but reventeen wich experienced another surprise. They were just beginning to recover from the strange downfall of Travers, when the Indian. I cannot find that he had any

for the Dutch Tropus

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proteges over the quintet from South
Philadelphia will ansure the Northeast
five of the Dutch Trophy for the casuaty
year, which is now in the trophy case
of the downt wn institution. A defeat
for the Archives will give the Sathern
five a splendid opportunity to tie up the
fair.

I remained quietly for an early luncheon
at the hotel in Deal. The disconcerting
news of Ouinist's defeat met me when
he had the club. It was rather to
but as I look back
vantage

Recessful in today's attack, as the other or games are with the weak members the organization—Germantoun High of Frankford.

Too Much Expected going his real gait and his second shot perhaps we were taking ourselves too seriously, or rather, we were taking ourselves too seriously, or rather, we were taking outset and Travers too seriously, for I outset and Travers too seriously, for I outset putted to within seven or eight Southern appears to have something to not think that the rest of us really not the feet of the ble. Tubbs's putt left him been of our hearts for with but three feet to cover—a half the effect that I was possessed of a yel-

of the Littlestone Club, which is some-where on the south coast of England those magnificent young glants so often to win." The words of a true sportsand not far from Sandwich. He, one of man,

M'GRAW SAYS SPITBALL FRAZEE HAS A NEW PLAN IS DIRTY AND DANGEROUS TO CURE HOLDOUT FEVER

With Tener Against Freak Pitching

Manager of the Giants Lines Up If They Don't Sign They're Left Be-

hind-If They Repent They Pay Freight

big tournament successes to his credit

The golf played by both was merely fair. To use a commonplace expres-sion, Oumet never struck his stride. At the short sixth Ouimet was 2 down and

hat concluded otherwise

Never Struck His Stride

NEW YORK. Feb. 26.—Describing the spitbail as both "dirty and danger. Or the major leagues has both "dirty and danger. New York Glants, yesterday aligned himself with the members of the National League rules committee, who have the declared in favor of the abolition of the moist ball, the emery ball and all other freak deliveries.

The first ultimatum to the holdout ball players of the major leagues has been issued by President H. H. Frazee. Of the Boston Red Sox, who has informed his players that if they have not signed their contracts by the time the declared in favor of the abolition of the club is ready to start on the southern training trip they will be left behind. If they get a change of heart after that they will have to pay their own freight to Hot Springs to talk their record includes a list of about forty training trip they will be left behind. If they get a change of heart after that they will have to pay their own four times in the second round and twice in the sixth. That ought to be answer to the fight to the question, can Dempsey that many of the other clubs would pursue the same course taken by Mr. Frazee

Dempsey virtually knocked out Breinan in the sixth round, the referee stopning the bout. Very few fighters have taken a better licking or taken it better than Brennan.

In sixty-seven fights Brennan never had been knocked off his feet and his record includes a list of about forty training trip they will be left behind. If they get a change of heart after that they will have to pay their own four times in the sixth round, the referee stopning in the sixth round, the refere stopning in the sixth round, the referee stopning in the sixth round, the refere stopning in the sixth round, the referee stopning in the six

Notes of the Bowlers

Cook, rolling in a five-game contest against Knox and Trucks, gave one of the best exhibitions in pin-acattering ever wintesace on a local alley, tossing them for 1151 pins coring his best in the finire game, when he made 257 pess, averaging 250 pess for the five games he rolled.

The highest individual record made by C. Wagner, of Newark, N. J., in the howling fournament at Cincinnati, of 680 pegs fails to come up to the record held in this city by "Jim" Guest, who on February 2 rolled 716 plus for three games.

Trucks's average was not as large as Cook's, but in his second game he made the large score of 268 pins, with a total of 148 pins.

Majestic took three in a row from Wyndham, but they were three distinctly hard-fought in contests, winning the first by two pess, the accord by several pess and the last by a single peg. "Jim" Brown featured with a big taily in his last game of 258 pins.

FULTON OUTCLASSES

Fredward Opines That He Has Finally Disposed of Yellow Streak Rumor

ALWAYS SURE OF RESULT

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 26. "Fred Fulton is a better man than Jess Willard, and I was whipped by one of the best fighters that ever stepped into the ring."

years old and was then plus. He was twenty-six years old, six feet two inches in height and brouzed as an Frank Moran, who last night took the ount from Fulton in the third round, oday voiced this praise of the big Minand I do not think that any one before the match had the slightest doubt of Outmet's coming through. His maccess was one of those foregone conclusionsesota plasterer.

"While I will say that Fulton is bet ter than Willard," Moran continued, " am not prepared to say he is the equal of Jack Johnson. I was in good shape and have no excuses to offer. I was beaten by a better man. I suppose I am grow-ing a little old. I felt my age a bit last night when I tried to set a hot pace and was met with an equally hot pace. But I shall not retire. I have my health and the boys at Camp Love will stand he was I down at the turn. At the he was I down at the turn. At the fourteenth he was 3 down, but on the sixteenth he reduced it to 2, and on the seventeenth he sent it down to 1. His chances began to look good. Winning the eighteenth hole would probably have presaged victory on the nineteenth. But as I said before Ouimet was not going his real gait and his second shot rolled off the back edge of the green.

however, both teams have undergone many changes due to the graduation of several stare.

Strong "Informal" Team

Strong "Infor

BRENNAN IN THE SIXTH

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 26.

Just one man, Fred Fulton, stands today between Jack Dempsey and Jess Willard, the heavyweight champlon of the world. When Dempsey fights as he fought against Bill Brennan here last night, no lesser man can stand against

Dempsey virtually knocked out Brea-

stung. Dempsey took that punch and came back fighting like a tiger. Brennan's vaunted defense crumpled like paper before Dempsey's attack and

his deadly left hand could not find its mark. Dempsey punished the big Chi-cagoan in every round but one.

JESS WILLARD WILLING TO FIGHT FREDWARD NOW

That Is, Provided Fulton Is Willing to Make Terms Suitable to Him

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 26.—Jess Willard, heavyweight champion, when informed last night that Fred Fulton had knocked out Frank Moran, said he would meet Fulton for the champion-ship if Fulton is willing "to make rea-sonable terms"

O'Dowd Defeats Greb

ST. PAUL, Minn. Feb. 26.—Newspaper critics gave Mike O'Dowd, of this city, claimant of the middleweight championship, a shade over Harry Greb. of Pittsburgh, at the end of a ten-round bout here last night. Greb did most of the leading, but couldn't get inside O'Dowd's left hand.

Chicago Athlete in Aviation Corps Big acores seemed to be the aim of the Quaker City bowlers last week, when the following hung 200 and over for a single star Chicago Liniversity athlete, has been same; King, 235; Campbell, 22; MacLach lan, 225; Guest, 232 Sept. Tou some star Chicago University athlete, has been same; King, 235; Campbell, 225; MacLach land Chicago University at the University at the Chicago University at the University at

THREE BATTLERS GO TO SLEEP IN THE PRELIMS AT OLYMPIA A. A. BUT TED LEWIS KEEPS AWAKE

Early Bouts Are Short, Sweet and Spectacular; Bartfield and Lewis Box Draw; Phil Franchini Makes Hit, Beating Mendell

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

OLD MAN MORPHEUS paid a visit to the Olympia A. A last night and builted in on three of the five acts on the program. The old boy seemed to be in great form, for at the very beginning Jack Lester succumbed to his charms and went to sleep after two minutes of fighting in the opening round. Hushie Hutchinson, Jack Hagan's pride from New Haven, Conn., assisted with a nicely timed wallop on the chin. Eddie Palmer, one of the home town boys, took the flop in the fourth stanza of his mixup with Frankle Williams, and Jack Thompson, the dusky heavyweight flash from St. Joe, Mo., helped Mr. Morpheus considerably when he flattened Andrew Johnson, who came all the way and the old man was not speedy rought to catch Mr. Ted Levis the well.

An effort was made to horn in on the windup, but the old man was not speedy enough to catch Mr. Ted Lewis, the welterweight champion. Mr. Lewis sprinted beautifully and managed to steer clear of Mr. Morpheus and Soldier Bartfield for six rounds. It was a nice little act and nothing happened. It resulted in a draw and the popular rivais MUST meet again to determine who is the better man.

Franchini Is Good

By far the best bout of the evening was the semiwind-up, which brought together Phil Franchini and Joe Mensdell. From start to finish it was a strenuous, scintillating and sensational syrap and pleased every one except the Smillers, who rooted hard for Mendell. The newsboy champ finished a poor second.

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Franchini once was disguised as Phil Wagner and did some good work over in New York. He was anxious to make a New York. He was anxious to make a good showing here, but tried too hard. He hits well from any angle, has a nice left jab and his right cross is a beauty. He handed Mendell a sweet lacing, but Joe took it like a little man and came back for more. Mendell, by the way, showed up better last night than in any of his other fights, despite the fact he was trimmed. He looks like a good boy and the Smilers may pick a winner yet if they stick closely to him. ner yet if they stick closely to him.

Hughie Takes Hagan's Advice

The opening bout was short and sweet The opening bout was short and sweet but quite interesting while it lasted. Hughle Hutchinson mingled with Jack Lester and showed that he possesses a regular hig-league sleep producer concealed in his good right mitt. Hughle has been training faithfully under the watchful eye of Jack Hagan, who could box some himself a couple of years ago, and absorbed some of his teachings.

Jack Thompson made short work of Andrew Johnson, who came all the way from New York to take a lacing. Out-side of a shortness of wind and twenty

by all. Even Leon Raines, who never gets excited over anything except the crowd and the work of the boxers, smiled at the end of the first round, thus

expressing joy and gladness. He was

perfectly antisfied and didn't care who

waltops, which made Ted more fetigued.

Bartfield made an excellent showing despite his awkwardness, and his garrison finish earned him a draw. Lewis had the better of the early rounds, but too much sprinting almost proved fatal. Ted Kid played the hit and run, and it seemed to be as effective as using that sign in a no-bit, no-run baseball game.

But in justice to the boxers, we must admit that they tried hard, and Bartfeld in particular was busy every minute of the time. We gotta hand it to them -they put up a great performance and deserve a boost instead of a slam.

Evening Ledger Decisions of Ring Bouts Last Night

OLYMPIA A. A.—Soldier Bartfield drew with Ted kid Lewis; Jack Thompson stopped Andrew Johnson in the second; Jack Thompson stopped Andrew Johnson in the second; Jack Thompson on the Johnson In Tranchin Interpretation of Johnson Interpretation Interpretation of Johnson Interpretation of Johnson Interpretation Interpretation

Scraps About Scrappers -By BILL BELL-

Lew Tendler meets a strong opponent next Monday night when he boxes Pete Hurt-ley, the durable Dane, in the wind-up of the Olympis A. A.

Joe Welsh, Bebbie Gunnie's champion, tackles Willie Moore, of the fighting Meore family, in the semiwind-up to the Hartley-Tendler bout.

Eddie McAndrews, under the bandling of Eddie Kelly, expects to put an end to the comeback aspirations of Tommy Carey when they meet in the wind-up of the Cambria A.C. Fridsy night. Chuck Wiggins, the 158-pounder from Minneapolis, meets Lee Houck in a return bout next Monday night in Lancaster, Houck gare Wiggins a terrific beating Christmas Day at the National A. C.

Although Sieve Flessner and Danny Frush appeared in the ring against each other not long ago they are members of the same stable new and working with each other. Steve appears with Joe Tuber in the final bout of the Fickwick A. C. in Haltimore tomerrow night.

3 NEW CAGE MARKS MADE IN THE AMERICAN

Two Team and One Individual Record Established at Traymore Hall

American Basketball League records have been broken quite frequently during the season just completed, but all past performances were colleged hat night in the grand finale of the year play when three new marks were established.

The first new mark was made in the

opening game of the night, Grard-Alumni and Hancock, Although both clubs had many chances to score, not a field goal was registered in the sec-ond hulf. This was the first time this

has occurred this year.

Rube Cashman and Jimmy Brown
next broke the individual high-scoringrecord Jimmy's name will go down
in the record book, but it was only ac-Jack Weinstein, manager of Eddie of Rube Cashman. Of course, the other names a secret until March 1 Stealing some of Connie Mack's ideas. members of the team, Moorehead, Dun-leavy and Dietrick, "fed" Brown, but it was "Rube" who made the record-

breaking performance possible. The for-mer record of ten made by Powell, of Hancock, was bettered by one. In the other game of the triple-header, B. B. L. without the services of Sugar-man. Newman and Franckle, lost to man. Newman and Franckie.
Y. M. H. A. in the lowest-scoring game
of the year, and one that will stand for
years. The first half ended 4-4, only
years. The first half ended 4-4, only years. The first half ended 4-4, only one field goal being scored in the fifteen minutes of play, that by Weinburg.

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